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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. A copy of the document as well as a copy of an Office Action from the Japanese Patent Office dated June 24, 2005, citing the document in a counterpart Japanese patent application, also are enclosed.

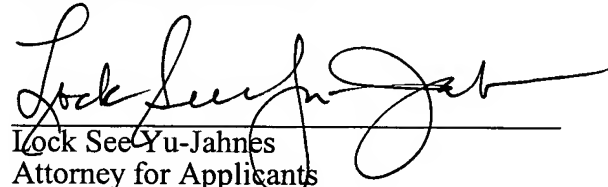
An explanation of relevance for the non-English document is given in the attached English-language abstract.

To the best of Applicants' knowledge, a first Office Action has not yet been mailed for the present application.

It is respectfully requested that the document be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the PTO-1449 form be returned indicating that the information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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